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DIARY NOTES

10 December 1958

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1. I have asked Larry Houston to look into the legal aspects of speeding up our Selection-Out procedures.

2. Matt Baird telephoned to say that he had a seven-page memorandum from Dana [redacted] to the Director through the Deputy Director (Intelligence) on our Language Program. 25X1A9a He felt that there was nothing in this memorandum which was not also contained in his recent briefing which the Director missed and I agreed to try again to get the Director to hear this briefing.

3. Matt Baird also told me that he thought the committee which [redacted] was heading in preparation for a briefing of certain Congressional committees was making a mistake in not using [redacted] I told him that I would speak to John and [redacted] 25X1A9a about it. 25X1A9a

4. Matt Baird asked me not to finalize our proposed assignment of [redacted] to [redacted] 25X1A9a until he had had a chance to talk with me and I told him that I would not. 25X1A6a

5. Gates and I went with Jim Garrison to a safehouse to be briefed on Project [redacted] 25X9A2 The briefing was rather impressive and it appeared that we do have an excellent facility for [redacted] 25X1A6a of this Project in [redacted] tomorrow and have asked for additional financial information as to how much money we were putting into this Project, whether or not it was self-supporting, etc., etc. I also emphasized to Jim that I wanted to see the proposed contract 25X1A9a for [redacted] prior to his signing off on it.

6. I lunched with [redacted] [redacted] Larry Houston and Gates. Hugh will be back in town after the first of the year and I told him that I would like very much to see some more of him at that time. 25X1A

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